

Regular Meeting Minutes
Tiverton Recycling Committee
Thursday June 22, 2006 at 6:30 PM
Town Hall, 343 Highland Road, Tiverton

Members Present: Rachel Melo, Steve Rys, Deborah Dupont

Members Absent: None

Town Delegation: None

Public Delegation: None

- I. S. Rys called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM
- II. The minutes from the May 25 meeting were reviewed. S. Rys made a motion to accept the minutes, D. Dupont seconded the motion.
- III. S. Rys appointment to the Recycling Committee is about to expire; therefore he was recently interviewed by the Town Council for reappoint. The Town Council is considering the consolidation of some of the town's committees. There are currently 27 different committees in town. The consolidation would help fill some of the numerous vacancies on these committees. Our committee has had three vacancies for about six month's.
- IV. On June 30 the Public Works Department received 600 bins for Dodson Mobile Park, Countyview Estates, and The Villages at Mount Hope Bay. The bins currently cost the town \$5.00 each.
- V. S. Rys submitted a Newport Daily News article about the Tiverton Landfill and the implementation of the Chapter 66 Amendments. An item of particular note is the landfill will have two BFI front load dumpsters available to collect cardboard. This committee feels these dumpsters are a realization of one of our recommendations.
- VI. S Rys passed out an article that addresses an area this committee has been researching. The article specifically addresses rechargeable battery recycling. Recycling of rechargeable batteries is currently taking place at the Central Landfill, and the transfer stations in Smithfield, Cumberland, Gloucester and Jamestown. A nonprofit group, Rechargeable Battery Recovery Corporation has provided bins. Additional locations will be added soon.
- VII. April's recycling numbers from RI Resource Recovery were reviewed again. R. Melo now has a copy of the statistics so a chart of recycling can be prepared.
- VIII. Discussion took place with regard to recycling receptacles. There are several web sites to be explored for receptacles such as Nikedesign.com, Airtek recycling, Donson supply.net and Kingsley.com. One problem that has to be

considered when looking at bins is whether wrong stuff might end up in the receptacles. Receptacles with certain size openings for different types of recyclables would be preferred.

- IX. Pardon Gray Day was discussed. It is scheduled for September 9 from 9:00 to 5:00. We plan to have a booth with recycling fliers and other information. R Melo will contact RI Resource Recovery Corporation for ideas on recycling demonstrations and the availability of magnets and other items to hand out. A tent will be needed. We will also need volunteers to help man the booth throughout the day.
- X. D. Dupont mentioned that the Pocasset School appears to have a well-established recycling program. We should see what they are doing and extend their program to the other schools.
- XI. D. Dupont made a motion to adjourn the meeting. R. Melo seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Minutes were recorded by Rachel Melo.